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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents identified on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the document is also enclosed, together with a copy of a January 13, 2004, United Kingdom Patent Office Search Report, citing them.

The listed documents were first cited, in any foreign counterpart of the present application, in the corresponding United Kingdom patent application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

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For the concise explanation of relevance for the two non-English documents, the Examiner is referred to the accompanying English abstracts, as well as to the mentioned Search Report.

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It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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